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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Inventor: Yves AUDEBERT et al. Group Art Unit: 2136  
Appln. No.: 09/892,904 Examiner: E. Shiferaw  
Filed: June 28, 2001  
For: A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR GENERATING AND VERIFYING A  
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection dated May 26, 2005,  
reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in light  
of the following remarks.

The previous rejections based on Thomlinson et al. (US  
6,389,535), Chasko et al. (US 6,715,078), Schneck et al. (US  
2001/0021926) and Nakamura et al. (US 6,415,371) have been  
withdrawn. New references are applied as discussed below.

Claims 13-16 and 18-37 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b)  
as anticipated by Sudia et al. (US 6,209,091). Claims 1-12 stand  
rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as unpatentable over Sudia in view  
of Schell et al. (US 6,751,735).